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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE-EXAMINING  
GROUP 2834**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Application of :  
Akira YAMAUCHI et al. :  
Serial No. 09/978,257 : Group Art Unit: 2834  
Filed: October 15, 2001 : Examiner - Burton Mullins  
For: MAGNETIC BEARING APPARATUS : Docket No. N002-4419

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL  
UNDER RULE 116**

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In response to the final Office Action dated  
November 14, 2003, applicants amend their application as  
follows:

**ADDITIONAL FEES:**

No additional fees are believed required in  
connection with this amendment; however, should it be  
determined that a fee is due, authorization is hereby given to  
charge any such fee to our Deposit Account No. 01-0268.

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